

Call for art: 97068 Create

Deadline: Friday, July 8

Submission fee: None

Exhibit dates: August 1-30, 2022

Exhibit location: West Linn Public Library Community Room

Overview

The West Linn Arts and Culture Commission (WLACC) invites artists living or working in West Linn to submit up to three works for consideration in the “97068 Create” juried exhibition celebrating the visual arts in West Linn. As the first display curated by the newly reformed WLACC, “97068 Create” will showcase the 2D and 3D artistic talent of the community we call home.

Eligibility

Artists submitting work to the juried exhibition must be living or working in West Linn and age 18 or older. The WLACC encourages submissions from emerging, mid-career, and established artists working in 2D and 3D media. Artists may submit up to a total of three pieces for jury consideration from the following categories:

Wall-mounted works, including 2D media (such as painting, drawing, printmaking, mixed media, or photography) or sculptural or textile works intended to be hung on a wall. Wall-mounted works must be wired and ready for display. No sawtooth hangers. Due to wall space restrictions, submitted works must not exceed 36 inches in either dimension (including frame), or extend more than 6 inches from the wall. Very heavy artwork that needs to be secured to a wall stud cannot be accepted.

Works displayed in the round, such as sculpture, ceramics, textiles/fiber art, and other works intended to be displayed on a pedestal or similar surface. Due to space restrictions, submitted works must fit safely on a pedestal no larger than 24” square. Submitted work must not exceed 50 lbs.

Submissions of artwork that has been created within the last three years is highly encouraged.

Selection Process

Each submission will be evaluated by the WLACC for criteria including but not limited to:

1. Overall quality and artistic merit

2. Creative approach to the theme
3. Diversity of media, style, technique, and artistic voice
4. Detail and completeness of application
5. Appropriateness for public display particularly given the all-ages programming commonly held in the library

WLACC reserves the right to refuse submissions that do not meet the stated eligibility requirements or artwork that is beyond the scope or specification of the exhibition.

Entry Guidelines

To be considered for this opportunity, please email the required materials to arts@westlinnoregon.gov prior to 11:59PDT on Friday, July 8, 2022 with the subject line "Art Submission". The body of your email should include:

- Name as you would like it to appear on any materials associated with the show
- Preferred email address
- Website and social media links (optional)
- A brief (fewer than 150 words) artist's statement describing your work and/or process, as well as a brief explanation of your relationship with the City of West Linn
- A numbered list of works submitted, including title, medium, dimensions (H x W x D), year completed, and sale price (works not for sale should be marked NFS)

Images of up to three submitted works should be included as attachments (no embedded images, please). Images should be approximately 2000 pixels on the longest side and smaller than 3Mb each. Image file names should be numbered in accordance with the list included in the email and include the artist's first and last name, as well as the work's title. 3D artworks may submit up to three additional images of different views for each artwork, differentiated as A, B, and C.

For example: 1_Liu_Jamie_Willamette_River_Views, 2A_Liu_Jamie_Ceramic_Sparrow, 2B_Liu_Jamie_Ceramic_Sparrow.

Please do not contact the library directly with any questions related to this call.

Timeline

All dates are subject to change due to the COVID-19 situation.

Friday, July 8:	Deadline to apply
July 11–15:	Selection committee meets to review applications
Friday, July 22:	Jury results and artwork drop-off instructions emailed to artists
Sunday, July 31:	Artwork drop-off

August 1–August 30: Exhibition open during regular library hours

Wed., August 31: Artwork pick-up

Conditions

Not all submitted works will be accepted for inclusion.

Artists will be notified of acceptance or nonacceptance no later than July 22nd. Notification will be made via email. There will be no personal feedback given by the jurors. If for any reason you do not receive your notification, please check the filters in your email account.

Selected artists will receive detailed delivery and pick-up instructions. It is the artist's responsibility to deliver and pick up their work (or to identify a representative who can do so in their absence). Artwork cannot be shipped.

WLACC reserves the right to reject work that, upon delivery, differs from the original submission, or does not meet standards of durability, safety and quality. If a selected artwork sells prior to exhibition, please notify the WLACC so alternative arrangements might be arranged.

Artists retain all rights to submitted images and presented artwork. Artists whose works are accepted into the show grant WLACC the right to use selected image(s) for printed and/or digital materials for promotional and exhibition purposes.

Anyone interested in purchasing any of the displayed works will be directed to contact the artist directly. WLACC will not process any sales or collect any commission from the sale price.

By submitting work, you agree that the images are your own work and that you own all rights to the images, and you take full responsibility for the content of the imagery, including the likeness of any recognizable individuals. Further, if presenting a photograph or image of any recognizable persons, you have obtained your subject's permission to exhibit their likeness in a public forum. Content of submissions must be suitable for all audiences. Any submissions that do not meet the stated criteria are subject to disqualification.

About the West Linn Arts and Culture Commission

The Arts and Culture Commission of the City of West Linn promotes arts and culture as a vital element in the quality of life for all residents of and visitors to the City.

The Commission is committed to advancing equity and diversity and strives to foster an atmosphere of inclusivity, creativity, and respect so all feel inspired to participate and express themselves and their identities. The Commission believes the variety of cultures in the region enriches all citizens' lives. The Commission seeks to create space for dialogue that includes and connects all members of the West Linn community. The Commission's goals are to:

1. Increase access to the arts for all members of our community, regardless of age, income, ability, background, or prior experience with the arts, through affordable, inclusive, and diverse displays, events, and performances
2. Advocate for and partner with artists, arts organizations, and cultural heritage groups by providing opportunities to showcase and educate others about their work
3. Preserve and promote our heritage by hosting events that celebrate the intersection of the arts and culture, including opportunities for people with diverse backgrounds to share their heritage
4. Empower our community to experience art, value art spaces, appreciate diversity, and participate in the creative process

The Arts and Culture Commission typically meets the first Wednesday of the month from 5:00pm-7:00pm in the West Linn Public Library Community Room and can be contacted by emailing arts@westlinnoregon.gov.